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FOR AMB. HODGSON FROM AMB. YEUTTER

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SUBJECT: LETTER TO AMBASSADOR TOGO RE STEEL IMPORTS

1. FOLLOWING LETTER HAND-CARRIED TODAY (AUGUST 26) TO AMBASSADOR TOGO:

2. QUOTE: PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 2(A) OF THE EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES ON JUNE 11, 1976, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES HEREBY NOTIFIES THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN THAT PRESENT TRENDS INDICATE THAT U.S. IMPORTS FROM JAPAN OF TOOL STEEL APPEAR LIKELY TO EXCEED THE RESTRAINT LEVEL FOR THE PERIOD JUNE 14-DECEMBER 13, 1976.

AS OF AUGUST 24, 1976, APPROXIMATELY 3.7 MILLION POUNDS OF TOOL STEEL HAVE BEEN CHARGED AGAINST A SIX-MONTH QUOTA OF 4.2 MILLION POUNDS. THESE CHARGES REPRESENT 88 PER-CENT OF THE QUOTA. DURING THE LAST FIVE WEEKS ABOUT 10 PERCENT OF THE QUOTA HAS BEEN USED EACH WEEK. AT THESE RATES THE QUOTA WILL BE FILLED EARLY IN SEPTEMBER.
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IN LIGHT OF THESE DEVELOPMENTS, THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN MAY WISH TO CONSIDER UTILIZING THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH 3 OF THE EXCHANGE OF NOTES.

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES UNDERSTANDS THAT THERE HAVE BEEN SOME TOOL STEEL CLASSIFICATION PROBLEMS REPORTED BY JAPANESE EXPORTERS AND WISHES TO ASSURE THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN THAT IT IS READY TO CONSULT ON THESE ISSUES SHOULD THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN SO DESIRE.

ACCEPT, EXCELLENCY, THE RENEWED ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION. SINCERELY, CLAYTON K. YEUTTER. UNQUOTE. KISSINGER

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